



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

*AMS-041A*  
*# 07/15/03*

Applicants : Gerald NMI Dorros et al.  
Serial No. : 09/972,225 Confirmation No. 4566  
Filed : October 4, 2001  
For : APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR TREATING  
STROKE AND CONTROLLING CEREBRAL FLOW  
CHARACTERISTICS  
Group Art Unit : 3763  
Examiner : Cris L. Rodriguez

Commissioner for Patents  
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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

A two-month extension of time to respond to the Office action dated February 4, 2003, received in the above-identified application, is respectfully requested. A check in an amount appropriate for a two-month extension is provided herewith.

Responsive to the above-mentioned Office action, applicants make the following amendments and remarks. This amendment is submitted in accordance with revised amendment format to be adopted under 37 C.F.R. 1.121, as promulgated in the Official Gazette at 1267 TMOG 106 (February 25, 2003).

**c) Amendments to the Claims**

Please amend claim 1 and add new claims 26-30 as follows: